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Applicants

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2002, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on February 27, 2003. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Kindly enter the following amendment:

In the claims

Amend claims 1, 3 and 14 to read as follows:

- An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a 1. (Twice amended) polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of:
- a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising from amino acid 1 to (a) amino acid 115 of SEQ ID NO:4;
- a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising from amino acid 2 to (b) amino acid 115 of SEO ID NO:4;